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RE: Request for EPA Review of Minnesota MS4 General Permit

The purpose of this e-mail is to request EPA Region 5's limited review and preliminary approval of Minnesota's draft revised National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System/State Disposal System Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) General Permit (GP). The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) is preparing for public notice of the MS4 GP in late May 2011; we are working toward reissuance of this permit by late 2011 or early 2012. We have learned from past experience that we need to allow adequate time for preparing our responses to comments, and addressing possible contested case hearing request(s), in addition to bringing the proposed MS4 GP before the MPCA Citizens Board for final approval.

As Mary Lynn, our stormwater program coordinator, discussed with Brian Bell of your staff earlier this week, there are specific permit parts where the MPCA has made larger scale revisions to the permit. Therefore, before we place the draft MS4 GP on public notice, we would like to get your comments on these permit parts (identified below), and to know whether these parts are approvable by EPA based on conformance with federal statute and rule.

PART III.C SWMP – Enforcement Response Procedure

PART III.E.3 SWMP – MCM, Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

PART III.E.5 SWMP – MCM, Post Construction Stormwater Management

APPENDIX A Requirements for Discharges to Impaired Waters with a Total Maximum Daily Load

Also, though not included under the federal stormwater regulatory program for MS4s, the GP also includes a new Appendix B, Requirements for Chemical Treatment of Stormwater for Phosphorus Removal. We are not requesting your specific review/comment on Appendix B, only noting it as you may be interested in these specific requirements.

We would appreciate your review of the attached permit, with your written response by May 5, 2011. Also, it would be very helpful to us if you have any "must-do" comments, that these are clearly identified in your response. Please don't hesitate to contact staff identified below for whatever questions you may have as you review the draft permit.

Thank you in advance for your timely response. Should you have any questions, please contact Duane Duncanson, permit writer, of my staff at 651-757-2323 or me at 651-757-2462. You can also contact Mary Lynn after May 3 through e-mail at mary.lynn@state.mn.us.

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